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A GOOD ROADS SCENE IN MANSFIELD FRIDAY  
Photo by Leatherman

## THE OZARK TRAILS

Tourists Here Friday—Col. W. H. Harvey a Member of the Party

A large crowd greeted the Ozark Trails tourists upon their arrival in Mansfield at 11 o'clock Friday morning on a trip of inspection of the proposed routes between Springfield and St. Louis. This is what is known as the southern route, the return trip to Springfield from St. Louis being made over the northern route. Another trip is to be made shortly before the Ozark Trails convention at Springfield June 27 and 28, at which time the official route is to be determined—and we hope the route through Mansfield will win.

This route will connect with several routes at St. Louis, and, passing through Springfield, connect in New Mexico with the Santa Fe Trail, thus making the road through Mansfield, if we secure the official route, a link in a trans-continental highway, which could greatly increase travel through here, bringing many tourists and, incidentally, settlers.

The party was met by automobilists and escorted into Mansfield. Some of our people also accompanied them on their way to Norwood.

During their brief stay here, addresses were made by Col. W. H. Harvey of Monte Ne, Ark., president of the Ozark Trails Association, and by John T. Woodruff and Jesse A. Tolerton of Springfield. E. J. Sanford of Springfield was also a member of the party. Seymour and Macomb were also represented among the good roads boosters.

Music was furnished by the Mansfield Concert Band, and the school children were present in a body, giving their school and good roads yells.

The speakers were introduced by Mayor F. H. Riley. They spoke of the work already done along this route, and the splendid interest manifested, but there is much work to be done before the road is what it should be. Work is now under way, and we hope that the scenic route through the Gem City of the Ozarks will be chosen as the official route.

It is not too late to set eggs from quick maturing, vigorous White Orpingtons, Kellestrass strain direct. I guarantee safe delivery and satisfactory hatch. Eggs prepaid, \$1.25 for 15; \$5.00, 100.—MRS. ROBERT ECKLES, Edgewood Farm, Sibley, Mo. Adv.

Over 100 extra copies of this week's Mirror were sold before publication. We have a limited number of extra copies yet unsold, which we would be pleased to sell to you for 5c each, while they last. Get yours today.

Fine White Rock Eggs from Pure Bred Stock on wide range; \$1 for 15, \$3 for 50, \$5 for 100.—MRS. W. R. TOBIN, Malta Bend, Mo.—Adv.

County Superintendent of Schools John M. Carter of Hartsville was here this week having bridge work done by Dr. F. H. Riley, the Dentist.—Adv.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of the City of Mansfield from May 1, 1915, to May 1, 1916:

To Balance Overdrawn	
May 1, 1915	\$ 832.18
Interest	23.22
Park Improvement	10.60
Streets, Culverts and Crossings	60.35
Drayage	12.35
Taxes on Lots	1.50
Hauling Lumber	3.00
Telephone Service	1.15
Special Police	4.50
Material	15.85
Blacksmithing	4.85
Police Judge's Office—2 Years	21.75
Light Service	300.00
Marshal's Service	180.00
Mayor's Service	8.00
Aldermen's Service	10.00
Clerk's Service	4.00
Election Expense	9.50
Assessment—210 Lists	21.00
Printing	30.00
Treasurer's Commission	51.49
Collector's Commission	44.53
	\$1656.82
By License	\$ 44.35
Foreign Service	97.40
Railroad and Telegraph Tax	12.09
Taxes—Real, Personal and Merchants	395.97
Poll Taxes	153.00
By Balance	524.41
	\$1056.82

May 1, 1916—To Balance Overdrawn \$ 524.41  
Approved by Board, May 12, 1916.

F. H. RILEY, Mayor.  
J. W. BRAZEAU, City Clerk

Note—At the time the above statement was made there was something over \$400 due the city.

## Educational Echoes

For sweet potato slips see J. K. P. Coday.—Adv.

Miss Gertrude Keller has been re-employed as teacher in the Seymour schools.

Prof. J. A. McKinley has been re-elected superintendent of the Gainesville schools.

Miss Rebecca Manary, formerly of this county, has been re-employed as a teacher in Lincoln Co., Neb., at \$85 per month.

Prof. W. H. Lynch, visitor of the Springfield state normal, passed through here yesterday, enroute to Willow Springs to address the high school graduating class. He spoke to the 169 rural graduates of McDonald county at Pineville Saturday.

This has been a record breaking year for the Springfield Business College. Every student finishing a guaranty course has been placed in a situation. If our young people realized that preparation in that school means a good salary and constant employment, many who are now idle would go immediately to that school.—Adv.

At a special meeting of the school board last Saturday evening Prof. J. A. Hylton, of Mansfield, was elected superintendent of Thayer schools. He is personally known to the writer as a schoolman of excellent ability and will make good here as he has always done elsewhere. Prof. Simmons has accepted the superintendency at Mountain Grove.—Thayer News.

## PROF. LYNCH'S WORK

A Tribute by Sam M. Jordan, the Noted "Corn Man," to the Educator

The Springfield (Mo.) Republican of May 7, 1916, says:

A fine tribute to the life and work of Prof. W. H. Lynch, visit or for the Springfield state normal school, is paid in a letter received by the veteran educator a few days ago from Sam M. Jordan, lecturer and agricultural authority for the Missouri state board of agriculture. Everybody knows Sam Jordan as the "corn man" and to him belongs the credit of doing more toward bringing the state into the front rank in agriculture probably than any other living man.

The letter compares the career of Prof. Lynch with that of Henry Wallace, the famous agriculturist, who "died in harness." Mr. Jordan expresses the belief that Prof. Lynch, too, will be found pursuing his work of bettering educational conditions in his state when the final summons comes. This is Mr. Jordan's tribute to the pioneer educator of the Ozarks:

"I want to assure you that I am always glad to hear from you, as every word that ever came to me about you was a kindly word. What greater thing could one ask? If one has been busy during a long life time, spreading only sunshine in the lives of others, what happier thing can anyone do?"

"The finest thing I know, or any man can know, was something about the life and death of Henry Wallace, of Wallace's Farmer. The common good of the human race was always uppermost in his thought, and action. He worked every day and when eighty useful years had passed he 'died in harness'. He did not want to outlive his usefulness for a single day. His life and death were both among the grandest I have ever known."

"It seems, from what I have seen and known of your life, no less can be said. The sunshine you have scattered, the lives you have helped, the kindly word, the jolly laugh, and the warm grip of the hand, with a soul too full for language, it seems to me, is all one could wish for in himself or a friend."

"If the death sentence comes to you first, I fully expect to hear that you, too, died in harness! But eighty years are all too short for a life like yours, for you do us all good. You have always handed us a good word when a good word was due. In other words, 'do it now' has been a rule of action with you, and we cannot forget."

"If with pleasure you are viewing, Any work a man is doing, If you like him, or you love him, tell him now:

Don't withhold your approbation Till the parson makes oration, And he lies with snowy lilies o'er his brow.

For no matter how you shout it, He'll not really care about it. He'll never know how many tears drops you've shed.

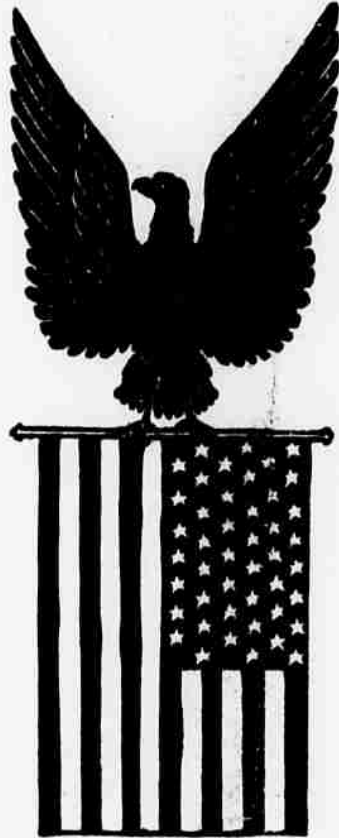
If you think some credit due him, Now's the time to slip it to him, For he cannot read his tomb stone when he's dead.

More than fame and more than money Is the comment kind and sunny.

The hearty, warm approval of a friend, For it gives to life a savor, Makes you stronger, braver, Gives you heart and spirit to the end.

If he's earned your praise bestow it, If you like him, let him know it, Let the words of true encouragement be said.

Do not wait till life is over, And he's underneath the clover, For he cannot read his tomb stone when he's dead."



## Memorial Proclamation

Sunday, May 28, a union service will be held at the C. P. church and Rev. Joseph Davis will deliver the memorial address. All pastors, all churches and all citizens and visitors in Mansfield are invited to the services at 11 a. m. Good sermon, good music and lots of flowers.

Whereas, it has been the custom in years past to remember the dead, not only the soldiers who fought for their country and died on the battle field but the many friends and relatives who have gone before, once a year assembling on memorial day, which is Tuesday, May 30;

I, therefore, as mayor of the city of Mansfield, do hereby request all citizens to meet on the public square at 10 o'clock a. m. with flags and flowers and march behind the band to the cemetery for the purpose of decorating every grave in the cemetery, even those who have no friends here to do so, for this is a duty we owe to all mankind. This part of life, "Memorial Day," is left for the living. Let us not forget, lest we forget.

All parties owning autos are requested to decorate them and have them in the line of march. All old soldiers are especially asked to assist in this work, also the scoutmaster and boy scouts. The following committee is requested to select flower girls and boys, and be in the line of march with an abundance of flowers: Miss Lula Newton, chair man; Misses Pearl Newton, Opal Freeman, Inabel Wallace, Jewell Hoover, Blanche Barney, Mabel Coday, Bertha Miller, Roxie Bratcher, Maude Coday, Maude Reynolds, Opal Hoover, Lulu Riley and Leatitia Roberts.

At 10 o'clock prompt all stores are requested to close until 1:30 o'clock and at 10 a. m. the procession moves toward the cemetery. The flag at the park will be lowered to half mast and remain so the remainder of the day. Let every one plan to be present for these services and bring plenty of flowers so that we will be able to decorate every grave in the cemetery. Rev. J. W. Roberts will have charge of the services at the cemetery.

F. H. RILEY, Mayor.

## Is Your Name Here?

The following have our thanks for cash on subscription since our last report:

Al Pillars, Bryant. James Hoover, Parkdale, Colo. Ben Moore, Hartsville. J. W. Gilley, Mansfield. Joe Emberton, Hamburg, Iowa. Autice Newton, Mansfield. L. D. Thompson, New Bloomfield. Mrs. J. O. Miller, Howard, Kas. Mrs. H. M. Baker, Ft. Gibson, Okla. M. Letsinger, Kelso, Wash. A. W. James, Mansfield. M. A. Gaskill, Mansfield. Fred Oetting, Mansfield.

## THE CLASS OF 1916

Of Mansfield High School Give a Pleasing Commencement Program

Class Roll—Cecil Brazeal, Wade Rippee, Mabel Coday, Mabel Hoover, Mentie Avery, Minnie Dennis, Alice Tomblison, Opal Hoover.

A capacity audience filled the opera house Friday evening to attend the graduating exercises of the class of 1916 of the Mansfield high school.

The invocation was given by Rev. J. W. Needham of Seymour, after which Miss Alice Tomblison ably rendered a piano solo Valse Caprice by G. Bachmann.

Cecil Brazeal delivered the welcome address in a manner calculated to make all glad that they were present.

Miss Mabel Coday's essay on "The Community Center" was a strong plea for the use of the school buildings for that purpose where better means were not available.

"Down Where the Daisies are Blooming" was sung by a quartet composed of Misses Mabel Coday and Mabel Hoover and Wade Rippee and Cecil Brazeal. The class poem was a production of much merit and was given by Miss Minnie Avery.

Miss Opal Hoover read a good "Class History."

"In the Palace of Dreams" was the title of a pleasing vocal solo by Wade Rippee.

Miss Minnie Dennis' essay on "The Future Rural School" was an able exposition of her ideas as to what conditions should exist in this respect.

Miss Mabel Hoover read the "Class Will," making suitable disposition of all the property of the class.

The "Class Song" was unique in that it was composed by a member of the class, and it was sung with enthusiasm.

The address of the evening was delivered by Superintendent W. W. Thomas of Springfield, and was a masterly effort on the subject of character development and a plea for the building of good character. His discourse was of a high order and yet told so simply that none could fail to grasp its import. Our people were indeed fortunate in having had an opportunity to listen to Mr. Thomas.

Following the address, the flowers and presents for the graduates were presented by the flower girls.

The presentation of the diplomas was made by Prof. J. A. Hylton, who desired to do so because of the fact that this was his last year in the schools here, a fact which brings deep sorrow to our people, and especially to the students. There was not a member of the class who did not shed tears as the professor spoke so earnestly and to the point. His services here have certainly been productive of great good, not only to the school, but to the entire city, and he will be missed by school children and citizens alike.

The benediction was delivered by Rev. Needham.

## Out of Town

"Out of Town" was the title of the play given by the Junior class of the Mansfield high school in the opera house Thursday evening. The juniors were handicapped by the fact that there but six members of the class, but they presented a highly pleasing and satisfactory play, in a manner that elicited the hearty applause of the audience. All did their parts exceedingly well and are to be commended for their good work.

FOR SALE—Pure-bred Barred Rock eggs; heavy laying strain; roosters heading flock came from one of the largest breeders of pure-bred Barred Rocks in Missouri. MRS. L. J. IMBLER, Adv. Phone R-2, Norwood, Mo.

## School Notes

Vacation has come at last. Now what will the children find to do?

A most happy and successful year closed May 12.

Miss Osborn returned to her home at Springfield Monday evening.

The junior class and the high school teachers spent Sunday afternoon at Hartsville and ate supper at the Findley spring.

Miss Gaskill's pupils counted the trees on the school grounds very carefully and found the number to be 130 of all varieties.

Lynn Cantrell was the only pupil in the second primary room who attended every day of school and was never tardy—a pretty good record.

On account of chickenpox and measles the attendance in the first primary room fell off considerably the last five or six weeks but it had been very good until the children were attacked by these contagious diseases.

Miss Ellis has the highest record for attendance for the entire year of any of the grades. Her average daily attendance for the 180 days was about 40 pupils, nearly all of whom will be promoted to higher grades.

Eleven of the 13 eighth grade students were promoted to high school and will make up the ninth grade next year. This is not as large a number as there should be but with the additional pupils who come in from the adjoining districts there will be a right good class of sophomores in 1916—'17.

School work was continued regularly all last week until Friday afternoon. The pupils in the different rooms sang songs, ciphered, or had a literary program until the last quarter and then came the last assembly period. It was a trying time for pupils, teachers and parents to close the day. The seniors and a few others found excuses to stay away and so avoid the close which came with singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Several of the teachers will attend summer school at Springfield. Until it opens about June 1 Miss Hoover will remain in Mansfield. Miss Gaskill will rest at her home in the country near here. Miss Ellis will spend the time with her mother at New Grove. Mr. Fullington will find something to do in his garden and tomato patch. Miss Osborn will be at home with her mother in Springfield and Prof. Hylton will stay here and take care of the strawberries and make some repairs about his property.

## Elected at Mountain Grove

Mountain Grove made good when the Board of Education elected Friday night two of the teachers from Mansfield to positions in the school there for next year. Miss Veril Ellis, who has made such a splendid record here in the intermediate grades, was selected for a place of the same kind and Miss Cloe Osborn, who has been principal of the high school for two years and won not only the esteem of the pupils but also of the patrons as well, was elected to the position of history teaching. Miss Osborn has made special preparation in history and all the people here will be pleased to know she has such desirable work and that she and Miss Ellis will be no farther away than Mountain Grove, next year.

## For Sale

The most convenient residence property in Mansfield, eight rooms, fine cellar, good well in kitchen, wash house, wood house, good barn with sheds, chicken house, good garden, lots of small fruit and a splendid grape arbor. Worth \$2,000. Will sell for \$1,500. Terms to suit purchaser. Adv. J. A. HYLTON.

## ALUMNI BANQUETERS

They Have Enjoyable Time Saturday—Other Notes of Interest

The annual alumni meeting is always the most joyful occasion of the commencement week and this year the program was the best one ever given. The initiation of new members was in charge of the class of 1914 and they had provided ample means for trying the candidates both mentally and physically. The motto of the class this year is, "Not at the top but climbing" and the ceremonies emphasized the "climbing" most effectively. Each member was marked with the number 14, given a good bait of angle worms and taught how to kiss the Bible when an oath is taken besides roller skating and other amusements. After the initiatory work was over several contests were engaged in, all of which afforded fun for everybody. At the proper hour refreshments were served, descriptions of members present were written and read for others to guess the person described, letters were read from absent members, speeches were made and before anyone was aware of it the clock struck time to go home (it being Saturday night) and there dispersed about 75 of the representative young people of Mansfield from one of the most enjoyable events one can hope to occur as often as once a year.

Prof. Hylton has taught longer in the school than any other teacher, so far as the records are known. He has been at the head of the school nine years, though not in succession. Mrs. Ora Rippee Riley taught seven years successively and Mrs. Bertha Jackson Ream and Miss Gertrude Keller each were here six years in succession. Miss Gaskill taught four years and part of another. E. J. Knight and Arthur Arnold were here three years each. Miss Dora Newton was a teacher here four years. W. P. Bland, C. A. Stephens, E. B. Hensley, Foster Rippee, John W. Stephens, Cloe Osborn and Veril Ellis have each been in the school for two years.

Some very interesting letters from absent members were read Saturday night. Among the number was one from James Bell, Violet Craig, Lola Henson, J. R. Deekard, Paul Hopper, Endora Barlow and C. W. Evans.

The teachers who have been in Mansfield since the first class graduated in 1905 are more widely scattered and fewer of their addresses known than the graduates of the school themselves.

Four of the teachers for next year are members of the alumni association. They are Mrs. Norma Newton, Horace Fullington, Mabel Coday and Jewell Hoover.

Eighty of the members of the alumni association graduated under Prof. Hylton, 13—the first class—under C. A. Stephens, and one under L. D. Curry.

About 40 of the alumni including the wives and husbands of members had a picture made Sunday morning.

Every one of the 94 alumni is living and the address of all but one, Harry Hogeboom, is known.

The 1912 class has the distinction of being the largest of all the classes—14.

The smallest class is that of 1910—one pupil.

There was no graduating class in 1909.

Ninety-four graduates of the M. H. S.

## Preparedness At Home

Home money to loan at 7% on improved farms in Wright and Douglas counties, on seven years time. Can get your money as soon as title is perfected. No delay. Come and see, or write. AVERY & STEPHENS, Adv. Mansfield, Mo.